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POTATO STOCKS DECREASE

The 13 major potato States held 143 million cwt of potatoes in storage March 1, 2011, down 15 percent from a year ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 41 percent of the 2010 fall storage States' production, three percentage points below March 1, 2010. Klamath Basin stocks totaled 1.80 million cwt on March 1, 2011, down 18 percent from a year ago. Klamath Basin stocks include potatoes stored in California and Klamath County, Oregon.

Potato disappearance, at 208 million cwt, was 3 percent below March 1, 2010. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 18.6 million cwt, was down 12 percent from the same date in 2010.

Processors in the 9 major States have used 110 million cwt of potatoes this season, up 2 percent from the same period last year. Dehydrating usage accounted for 16.5 million cwt of the total processing, down 17 percent from last year.

FALL POTATOES: Production and Stocks on March 1, 2010-2011

[Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2010 totaled 23.7 million cwt]

State	Crop of 2009			Crop of 2010			
	Production	Stocks Mar. 1, 2010	Percent of Production	Production	Stocks Feb. 1, 2011	Stocks Mar. 1, 2011	March Percent of Production
	1,000 cwt.		Percent	1,000 cwt.			Percent
CA	3,960	1,100	28	2,280	1,200	900	39
CO	22,080	10,500	48	21,528	11,400	9,600	45
ID	132,500	67,500	51	114,440	64,000	54,500	48
ME	15,263	7,800	51	15,892	9,300	7,900	50
MI	15,660	3,500	22	15,660	5,900	4,100	26
MN	20,700	8,300	40	17,010	8,400	7,300	43
MT	3,298	3,100	94	3,673	3,400	3,300	90
NE	8,756	3,300	38	7,719	3,400	3,000	39
NY	4,950	900	18	5,120	1,200	800	16
ND	19,125	7,000	37	22,000	10,300	8,100	37
OR	21,460	10,700	50	20,058	12,700	10,100	50
WA	87,230	34,900	40	81,740	33,800	25,700	31
WI	28,980	11,100	38	24,293	10,700	8,100	33
13 States	383,962	169,700	44	351,413	175,700	143,400	41
Klamath Basin ^{1/}	(NA)	2,200	(NA)	(NA)	2,500	1,800	(NA)

(NA) Not available

1/ Includes potato stocks in California and Klamath Co. Oregon. Included in the 13 State totals.